

Application No.: 10/590,014
Art Unit: 3748

Response under 37 CFR §1.114
Attorney Docket No.: 062808

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-4 are rejected.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-4 were provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-4 of copending Application No. 10/590,012 in view of Forster (US 4,052,260).

A terminal disclaimer has been concurrently filed with this response. Withdrawal of the provisional double patenting rejection is requested.

In view of the above remarks, Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance. Applicants request such action at an early date.

If the Examiner believes that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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